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**To:** W-2 Agency Directors

**From:** Bill Clingan /s/  
Division Administrator

**RE:** Additional Funding to Meet W-2 Program Needs of Arriving Refugees

**PURPOSE:**

To announce additional funding to assist Wisconsin Works (W-2) agencies in meeting the needs of the increased numbers of refugees resulting from Hmong resettlement efforts of the US Department of State. Funds are being made available from refugee Target Assistance Grants (\$125,498) and from unallocated W-2 funds (\$1 million).

**BACKGROUND:**

Given the current Hmong resettlement efforts of the State Department, the numbers of unanticipated refugees will affect some agencies' ability to provide services and benefits under the W-2 and Related Programs.

Wisconsin is one of three states expected to receive a large number of new refugees. The influx of refugees has already begun in several counties. Many of these refugees will need W-2 program services and benefits.

Governor Jim Doyle is committed to ensuring comprehensive assistance for the refugees involved in the resettlement. Therefore, the funding described below is being made available.

**POLICY:**

**Targeted Assistance Grant**

Targeted Assistance Grants (TAG), made available to the State under the Refugee Resettlement Program, are provided to refugee agencies through a Request for Proposal

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AS--Apprenticeship Standards	FM--Financial Management Requirements	ML--Migrant Labor	TR--Transportation
CC--Child Care	FL--Foreign Labor Certification	NA--Native American Services	W-2--Wisconsin Works
CS--Child Support	IT--IT Systems	RA--Refugee Assistance	WIA--Workforce Investment Act
CF--Children First	JC--Job Center	TC--Tax Credit Programs	
CR--Civil Rights	LM--Labor Market Information	TA--Trade Assistance	

process. These funds are used to provide employment and training services to any eligible refugees. The Department identified some unallocated TAG funding that must be spent by December 31, 2004. In light of the increased refugee caseload for some W-2 agencies, these funds were issued to three W-2 agencies, those that were experiencing the greatest percent change in caseload due to the arrival of the refugees.

**W-2 Additional Funding**

As a part of Governor Doyle's comprehensive effort to assist the Hmong resettlement in Wisconsin, \$1 million of Wisconsin Works funding is being issued to the W-2 agencies with a high concentration of newly arriving refugees. These funds are available for benefits and/or services for all eligible refugees.

The attachments show the allocations of these funds to W-2 agencies. Contract amendments have been prepared and are being sent to the affected agencies.

**ACTION SUMMARY STATEMENT:** Follow contract amendment instructions. Additional detail regarding plan modifications will be forthcoming.

**CONTACT:** Department's Regional Office Contract Manager

**Attachment(s):** Allocation Charts